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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a conference of educationist was held recently to discuss the issue of bringing madrassas teaching at par with mainstream educational system;

(b) if so, the outcome thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto; and

(c) the follow-up steps being taken by the Government in that direction?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH)

(a), (b) and (c): A Dialogue on Minority Welfare and Education was held on 3 − 4 July, 2004 in which a full range of concerns affecting education, including the running of minority institutions, promotion of minority languages and Madarsa education were discussed. Various persons associated with Minorities' welfare and education including educationists took part in the Dialogue.

Their views on all issues were heard by the Government enabling it to take necessary action.